



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFIC

In re Application of:

Chen et al.

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks
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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In response to the Office Action date September 24, 2002, in the aboveidentified application, Applicants respectfully request amendment and reconsideration.

In accordance with the AMENDMENTS IN A REVISED FORMAT NOW PERMITTED, which was signed January 31, 2003 and published in the Official Gazette on February 25, 2003, attached hereto on separate sheets is: a) an amendment to the claims; b) an amendment to the abstract; and c) a remark section. Also filed herewith is a petition for an extension of time and an information disclosure statement.